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# *The Future of the* **National Nanotechnology Initiative**

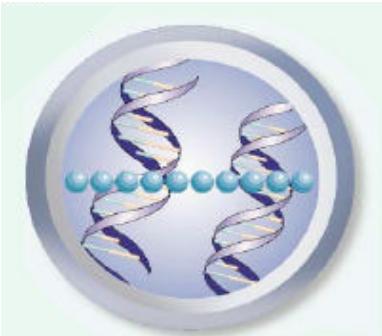
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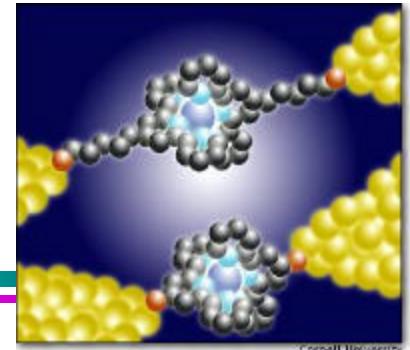
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# Nanotechnology

Definition on [http://nano.gov/omb\\_nifty50.htm](http://nano.gov/omb_nifty50.htm) (2000)



- † Working at the atomic, molecular and supramolecular levels, in the length scale of approximately 1 – 100 nm range, in order to understand and create materials, devices and systems with fundamentally new properties and functions because of their small structure
- † **NNI definition encourages new contributions that were not possible before.**
  - novel phenomena, properties and functions at nanoscale, which are nonscalable outside of the nm domain
  - the ability to measure / control / manipulate matter at the nanoscale in order to change those properties and functions
  - integration along length scales, and fields of application



# Broad societal implications

(examples of societal implications;  
worldwide estimations made in 2000, NSF)

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- ☞ **Knowledge base**: better comprehension of nature, life
- ☞ **New technologies and products**: ~ **\$1 trillion/year by 2015**  
(With input from industry US, Japan, Europe 1997-2000, access to leading experts)

Materials beyond chemistry: \$340B/y  
Pharmaceuticals: \$180 B/y  
Aerospace about \$70B/y

Electronics: over \$300B/y  
Chemicals (catalysts): \$100B/y  
Tools ~ \$22 B/y

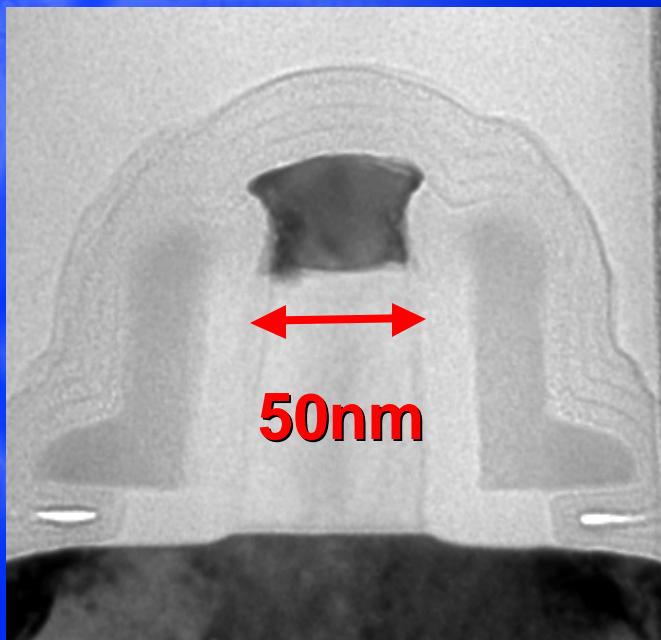
Est. in 2000 (NSF) : about \$40B for catalysts, GMR, materials, etc.; + 25%/yr  
Est. in 2002 (DB) : about \$116B for materials, pharmaceuticals and chemicals

**Would require worldwide ~ 2 million nanotech workers**

- ☞ **Improved healthcare**: extend life-span, its quality, physical capabilities
- ☞ **Sustainability**: agriculture, food, water, energy, materials, environment; ex:  
lighting energy reduction ~ 10% or \$100B/y

*Example of today's technology: 50 nm transistor dimension*

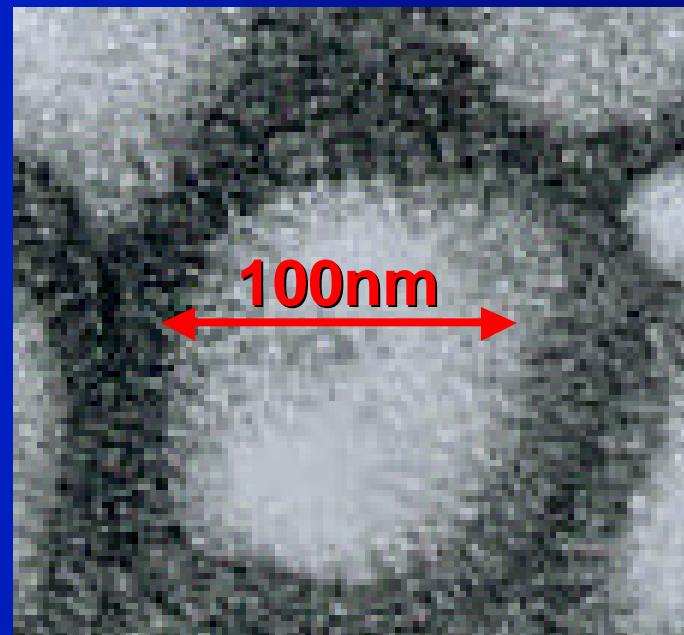
**Intel's projected revenues 2003 from silicon nanotech products: > \$20 Billion**



**Transistor for  
90nm-node**

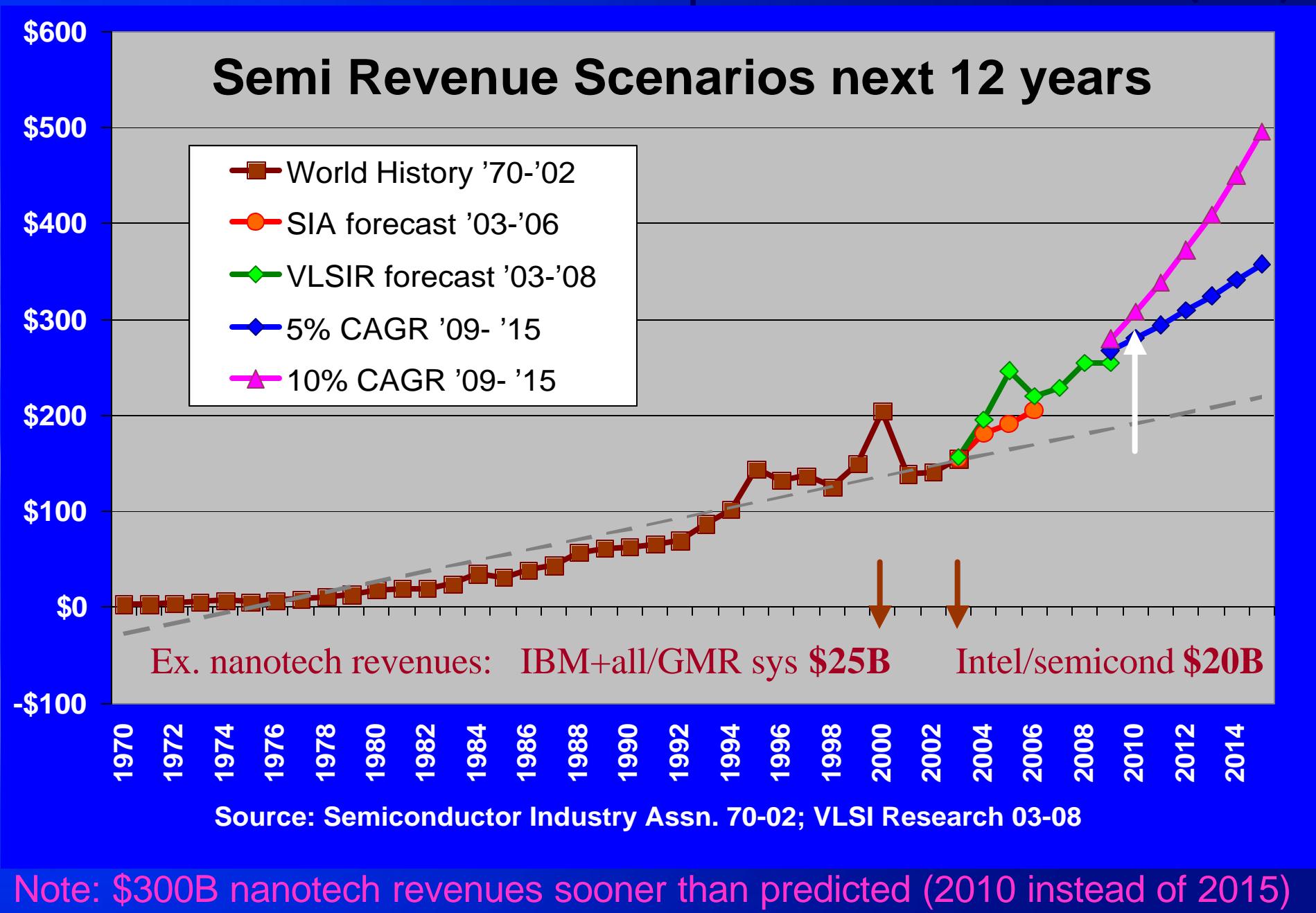
Source: Intel

**Gate dielectric thickness = 1.2 nm**



**Influenza virus**  
Source: CDC

# Semiconductors Extrapolated to 2015 (\$B)



**NNI implementation plan published in July 2000**

## **Major changes in the first 3 years of NNI (Part 1)**

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- † **Research**: NNI supports about 2,500 active awards in about 300 academic organizations in all 50 states;  
**Developments faster than expected: Reducing the time of reaching commercial prototypes by at least of factor of two for several key applications**
- † **Education**: 7,000 students and teachers trained in 2003;  
**All science and engineering colleges have introduced courses related to NSE**
- † **Significant infrastructure**: in over 60 universities with user capabilities; **Five networks (NCN,NNIN, OKN, DOE, NASA) have been established.**

# Scientific Breakthroughs

## in the first two years (NNI, 2001-2002)

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### † **Developments faster than expected**

Reducing the time of reaching commercial prototypes by at least of factor of two for several key applications

### † **10 key advancements set up in 2000**

- Engineer materials with atomic precision using biosystems as agents
- Create circuits with the logic element a molecule wide
- Assemble DNA, nanocrystals to build molecular devices and systems
- Detect anthrax, other contaminants with unprecedented speed
- Single molecule behavior and interaction
- Artificial genetic system
- Conducting polymers
- New concepts for large scale production of nanotubes, their use
- Drug delivery systems
- Detection of cancer

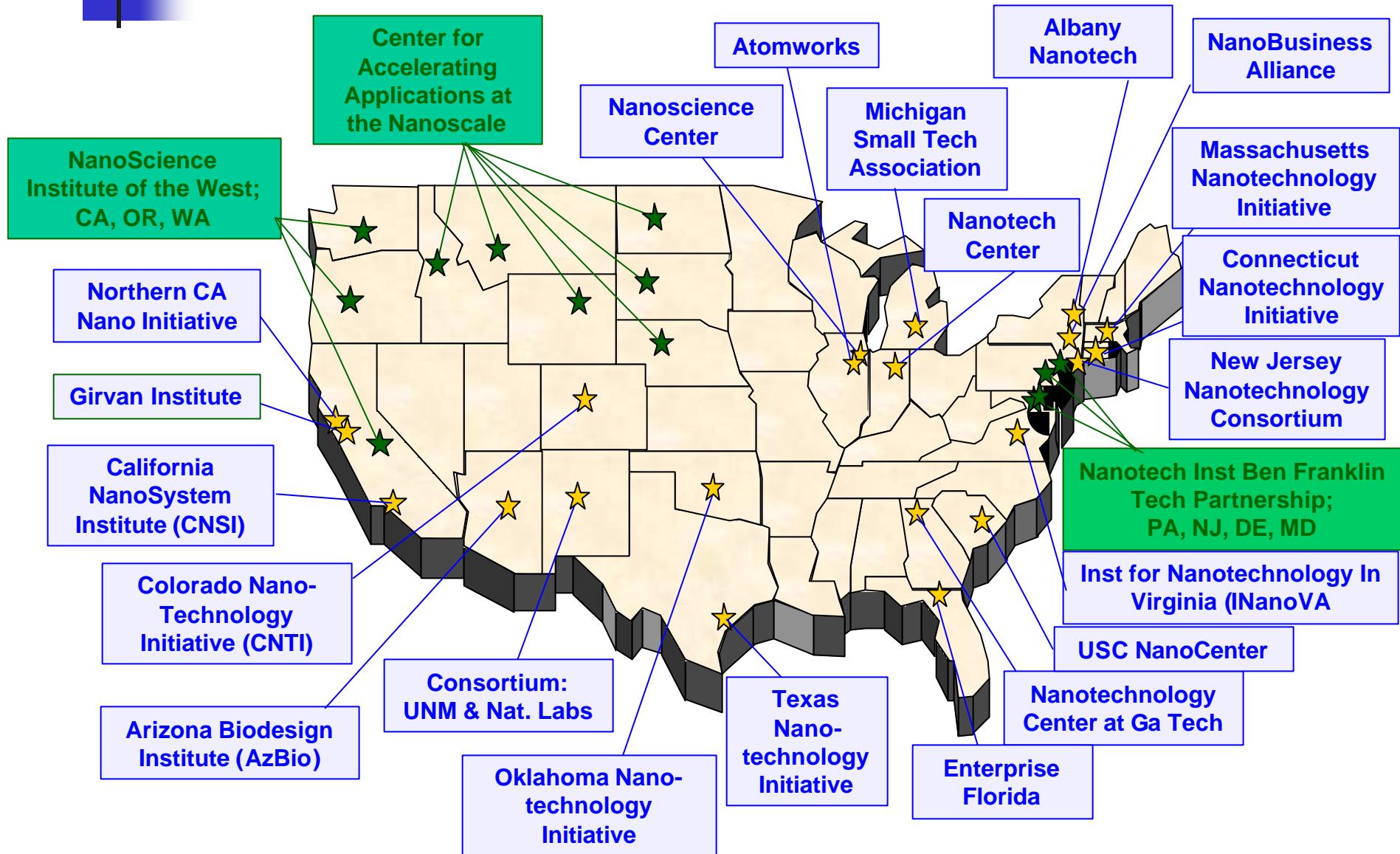
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## **Major changes in the first 3 years of NNI (Part 2)**

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- † **Industry:** about the same level of investment as NNI in medium and long-term research; Investment by large companies; **From “if?” to “how?” and “who will lead?”**
- † **Innovation and venture funding:**  
**US has over 6,000 patents in 2002 with USPTO (75% world)**
- † **Estimation on revenues from nanotechnology:**  
**Reaching \$1trillion in 2015 worldwide, and the estimations moving closer because of accelerated development; growth >25% per year**
- † **States and regional alliances:** **“meltdown” in 2002 - > 20 states committed funding, > 22 regional alliances**

# Sampling of Current Regional, State, & Local Initiatives in Nanotechnology



**NNI implementation plan published in July 2000**

## **Major changes in the first 3 years of NNI (Part 3)**

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- † **Professional societies**: Specialized divisions, workshops, education; AAAS, ACS, APS, MRS, ASME, AIChE, IEEE, AVS, other major societies in the race
- † **Government investment**: Worldwide investment has increased 7 times in 6 years reaching \$3B in 2003 (of which US \$0.77B and NSF \$0.22B)
- † **Societal implications from the beginning**: Workshop on Societal Implications of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology in 2000; NSF programs on SI since 2000
- † **Other broader implications**: In Federal Government (NNI), Legislative (5 year Bill), Judiciary branches, cultural

After 3 years of NNI:  
**New R&D potential targets for 2015 (2)**

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**2004**

**2015**

**Nanoscale visualization and simulation of 3D domains**

Micro domains with nano space and time resolutions

**Transistor beyond/integrated CMOS under 10 nm**

**New catalysts for chemical manufacturing**

**No suffering and death from cancer when treated**

**Control of nanoparticles in air, soils and waters**

# Challenge: To Eliminate Suffering and Death Due to Cancer – 2015

“A Vision Not a Dream!” by using nanotechnology, A v. Eschenbach, NCI

Where We Want To Be ← Where We Are

Detection and  
Diagnosis

Year 0

Year X

Detection  
and  
Diagnosis

Year Y

Malignant  
Tumors With  
Metastases

Year Z



Prevention ↑

Prevention ↑

Cancer results from accumulation of multiple genetic changes in a cells.  
Nanotechnology will allow earlier detection and prevention (Year 0)

After 3 years of NNI:

# New R&D potential targets for 2015

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2004

2015

Advanced materials and manu.: 1/2 from molecular level

Pharmaceuticals synthesis and delivery: 1/2 based on nano

Converging technologies from the nanoscale

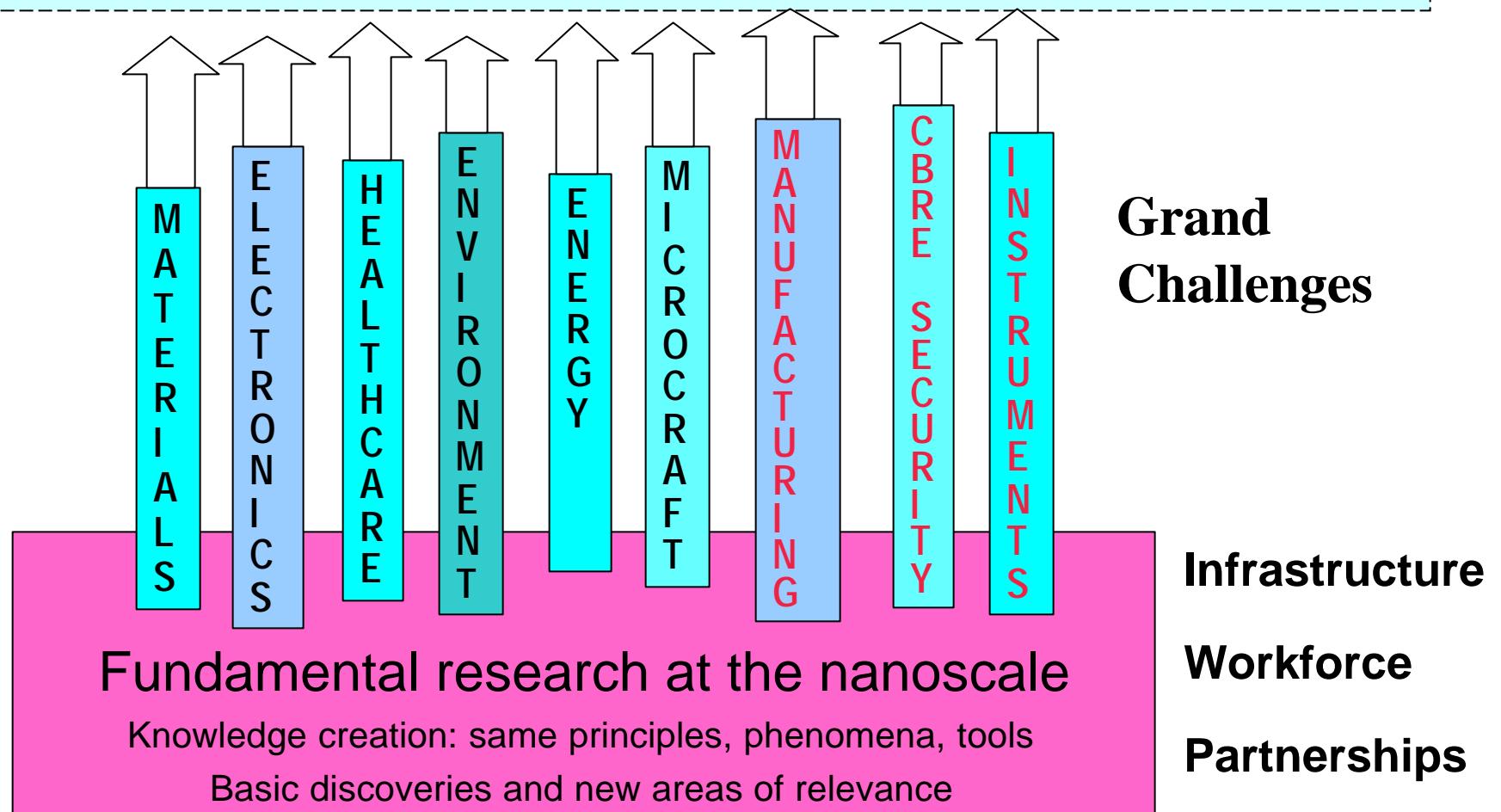
Including: artificial organs, expand life expectancy, increase productivity

Life-cycle biocompatible/sustainable development

Education: nanoscale instead of microscale-based

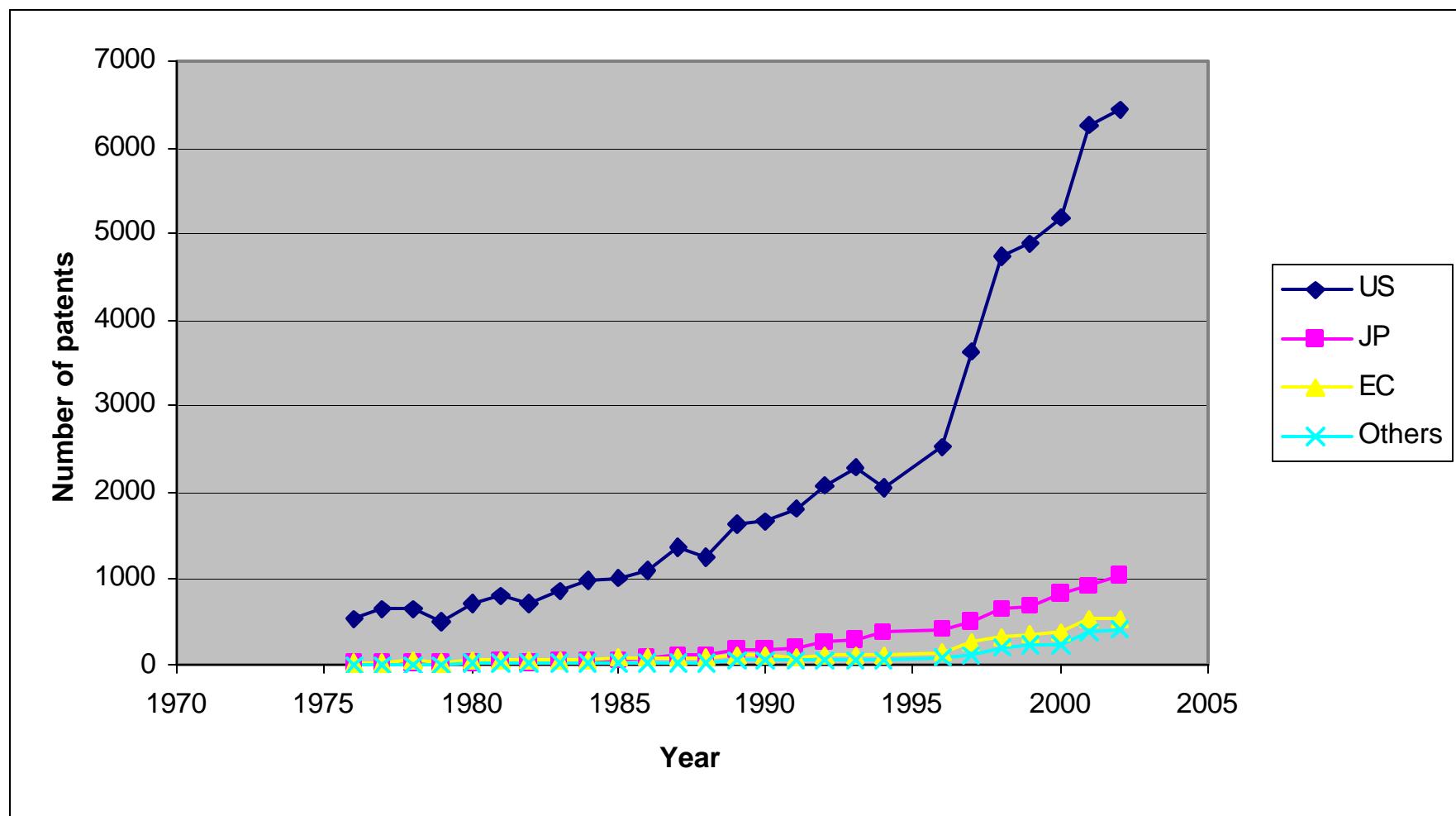
# Interdisciplinary “horizontal” knowledge creation vs. “vertical” transition from basic concepts to Grand Challenges

## Revolutionary Technologies and Products

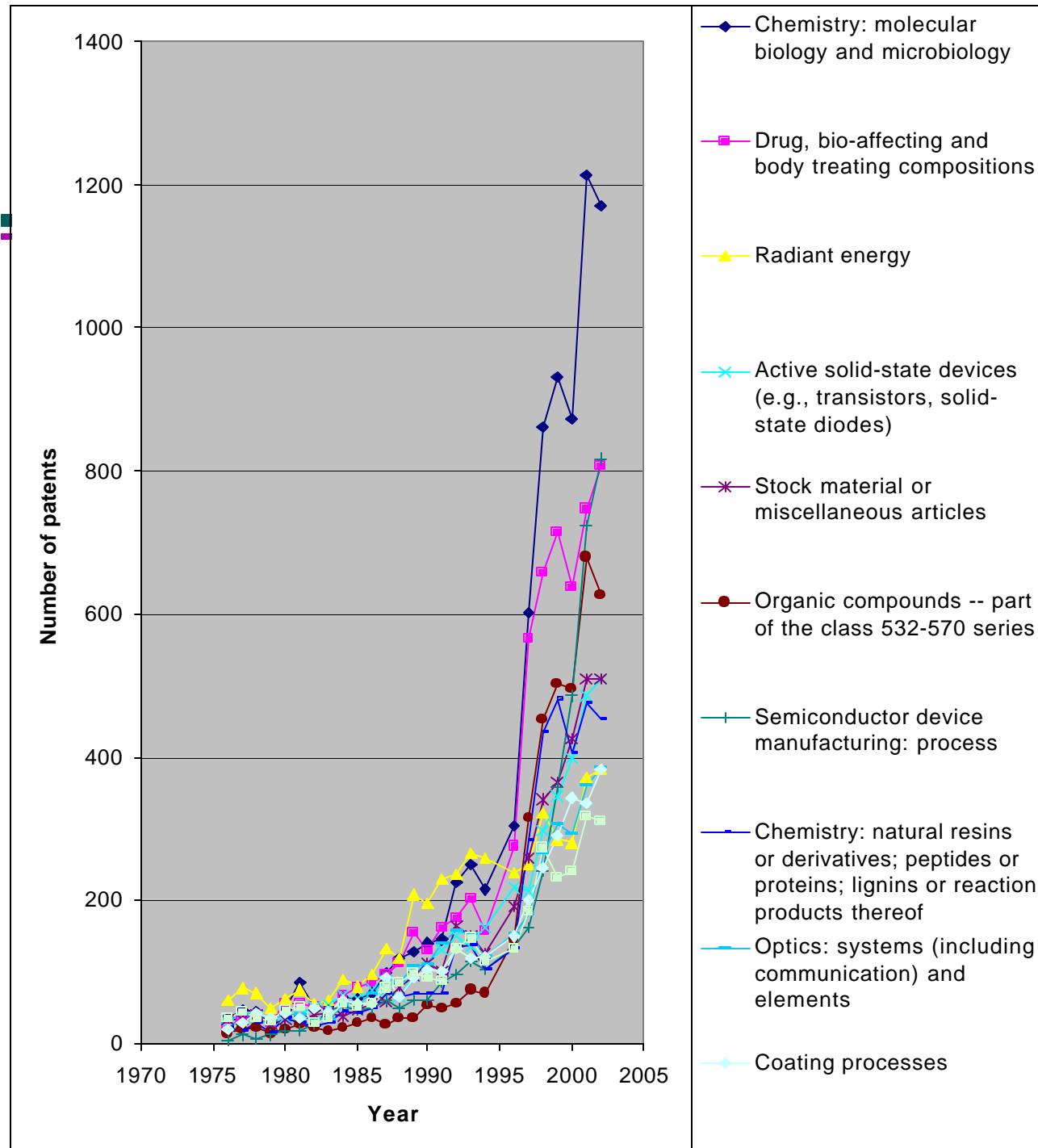


# Nanotechnology patents per region (NSF, 2003)

Searched by keywords at USPTO : nano\*, atomic force microscop\*, atomistic/molecular simulation, biomotor, molecular device, molecular electronics, molecular modeling, molecular motor, molecular sensor, quantum computing, quantum dot\*, quantum effect\*, scanning tunneling microscop\*, selfassembl\*



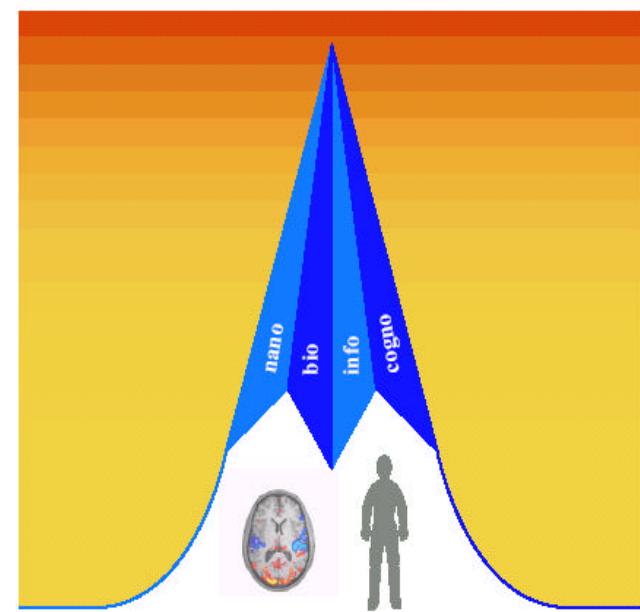
# Technology field analysis by year



[www.nsf.gov/nano](http://www.nsf.gov/nano)  
**(Longitudinal  
Nanotechnology Patent  
Analysis,  
from J. of Nanoparticle  
Research, 2003)**

# Integrating science and technology from the nanoscale

- † Broad and timely opportunity
  - ☛ Understanding unity in nature, and technology integration from the nanoscale
  - ☛ Powerful transforming tools (NBIC: nano-bio-info-cogno) developing at confluence of disciplines
  - ☛ Improvement of individual and group human performance becomes possible
  - ☛ Need for anticipation ('learning before doing') and deliberate choices
- † NBIC - agents of accelerated, synergistic change



CONVERGING TECHNOLOGIES  
FOR IMPROVING HUMAN PERFORMANCE

June 2002



(December 2001)

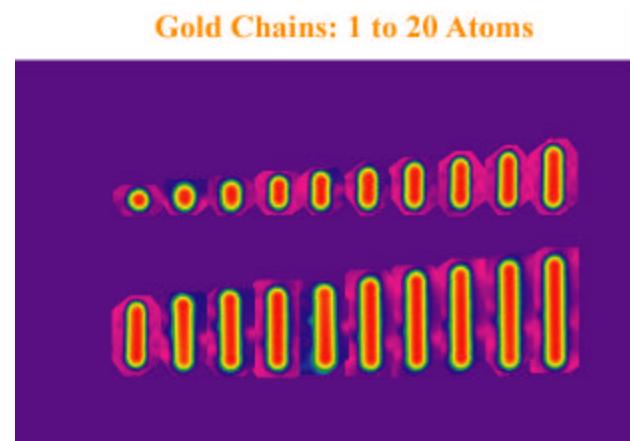
Online [www.nsf.gov/nano](http://www.nsf.gov/nano),  
also Kluwer Academic Publ

MC. Roco, 11/07/03

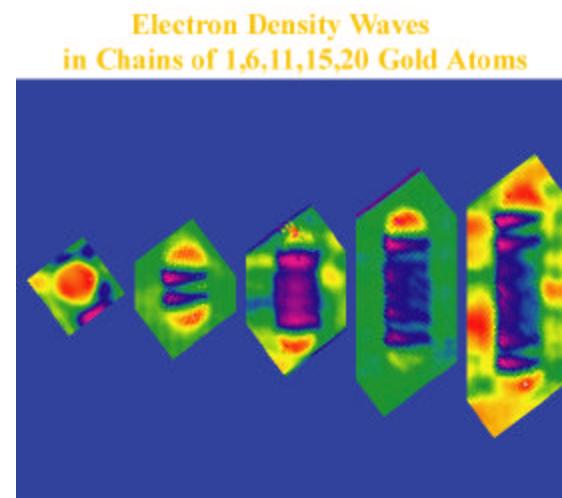
# Specify the state of a molecule

EX: Atom-by-Atom Construction of Nanostructures, W. Ho et al.

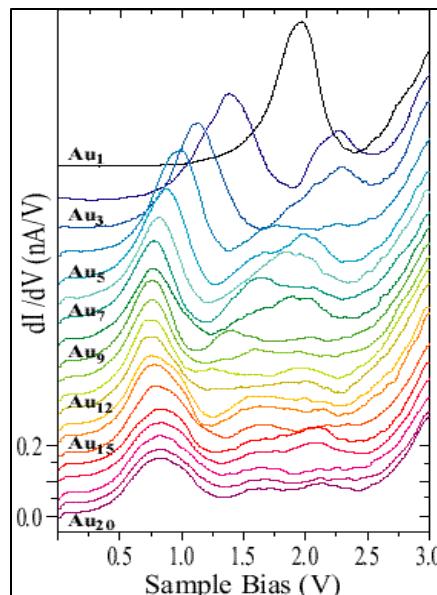
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C



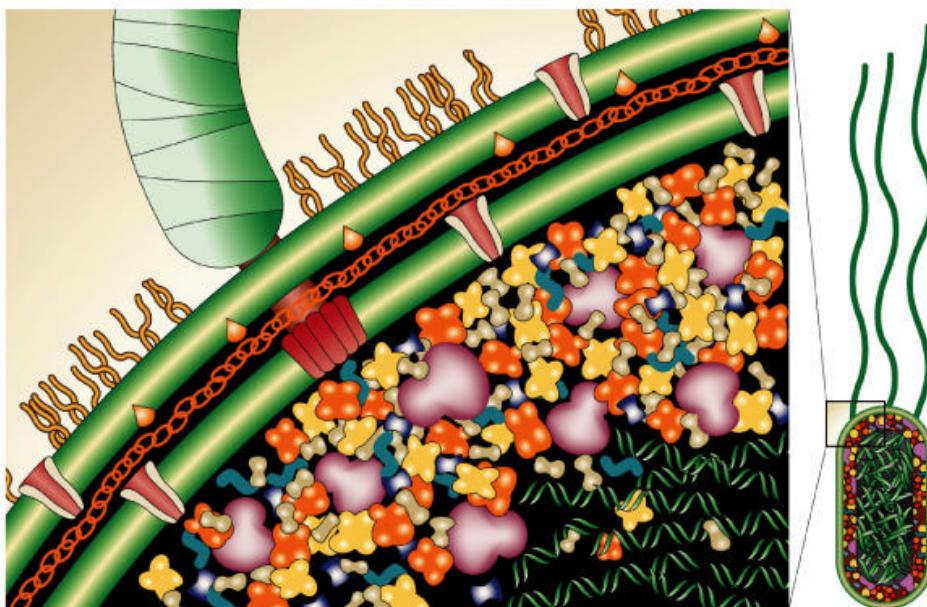
A: STM images of 1 to 20-atom Au chains constructed atom-by-atom by atomic manipulation on NiAl(110) at 12 K.

B: Electron density waves of 5 different Au chains on NiAl(110) exhibiting standing waves of 1-D particle in a box.

C: Electron density of states measured in the middle of the 1-20 atom Au chains, revealing the development of 1-D band structure from a single atomic level.

# Specify the state of a cell

## *E. Coli*



● Ribosomes	● mRNA
● Lipopolysaccharide	● Phospholipid
● DNA	● Lipoprotein
● tRNA	● Peptidoglycan
● Protein	

Measure and simulate  
the populations  
of all the proteins  
present

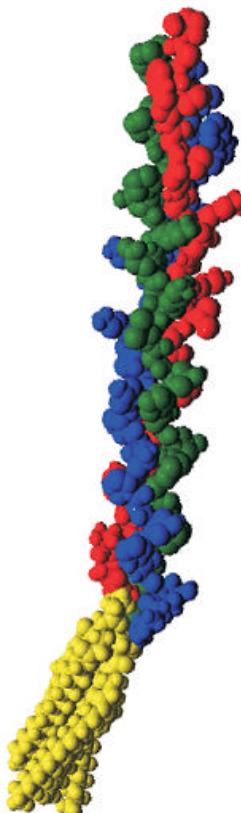
3 dimensional  
Highly parallel

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# Functional Nano-Scale Bio-Materials by Controlled Self-Assembly

*EX: Matthew Tirrell*, UCSB, NSF-0103516

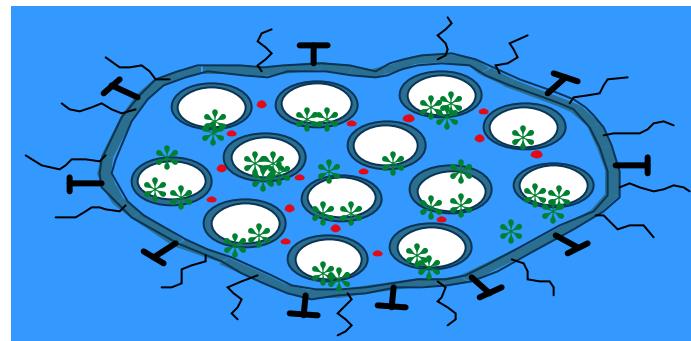
- ? Self-assembly processing of nanoscale bio-materials and devices  
(Creating bio-mimetic nested structures, micromachines components)



Triple  
Helix

? Molecules (e.g., a Triple Helix) have been designed to incorporate into bilayer walls of structures to control their interactions both with each other and with their surroundings.

? Controllable secondary structures such as rods, tubules, vesicles, and micelles will lead to structures for functions that may not be naturally occurring or that mimic or supply interesting functionality.

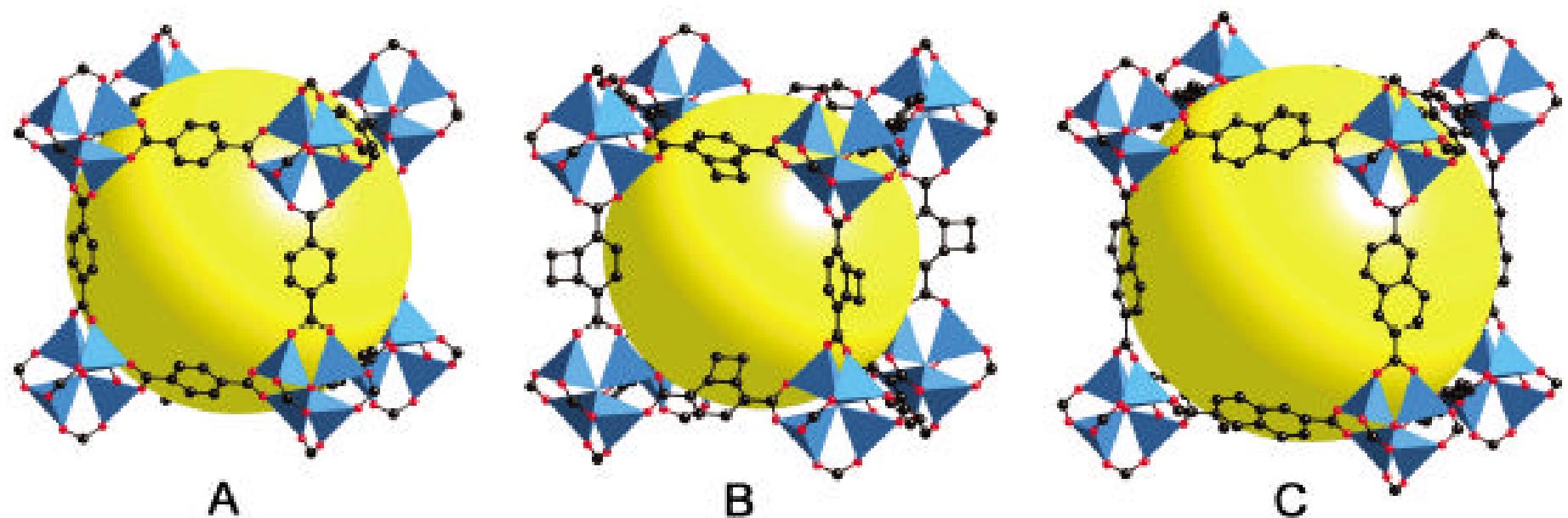


Vesosomes: Vesicle-Encapsulated Vesicles



# Molecular Fuel Tanks

O.M. Yaghi, U. Michigan, #0242630



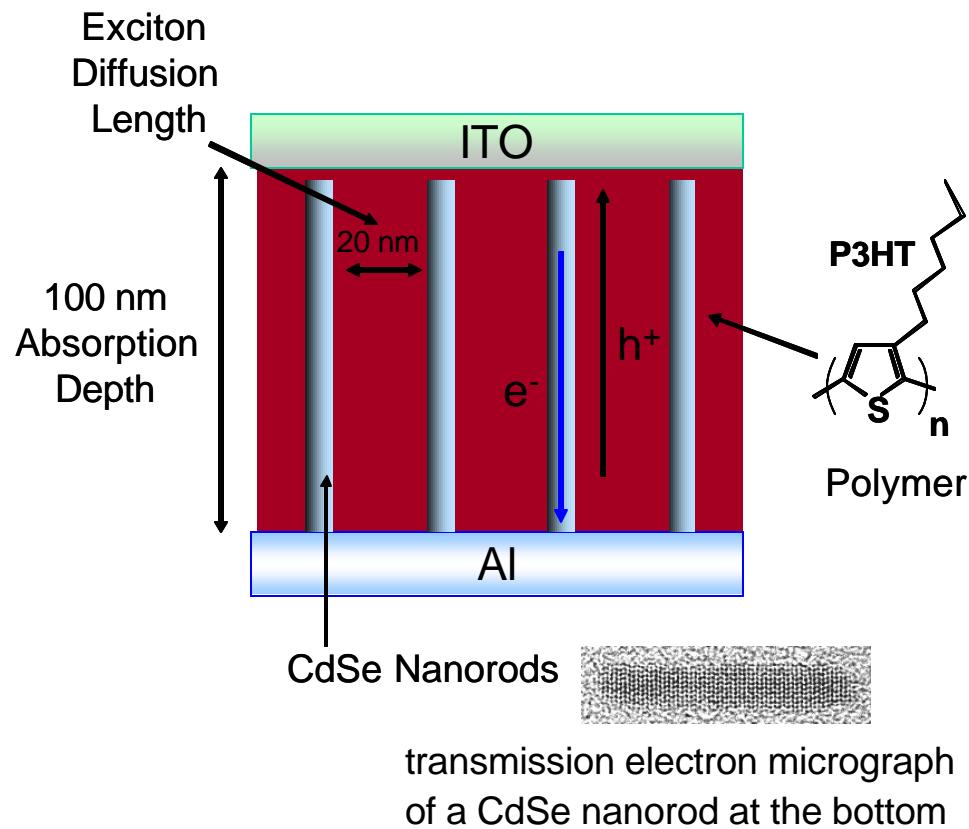
0.5 %

1.0 %

2.0 %

Uptake (wt%) of hydrogen storage in Metal-Organic  
Frameworks at RT and 10 bar

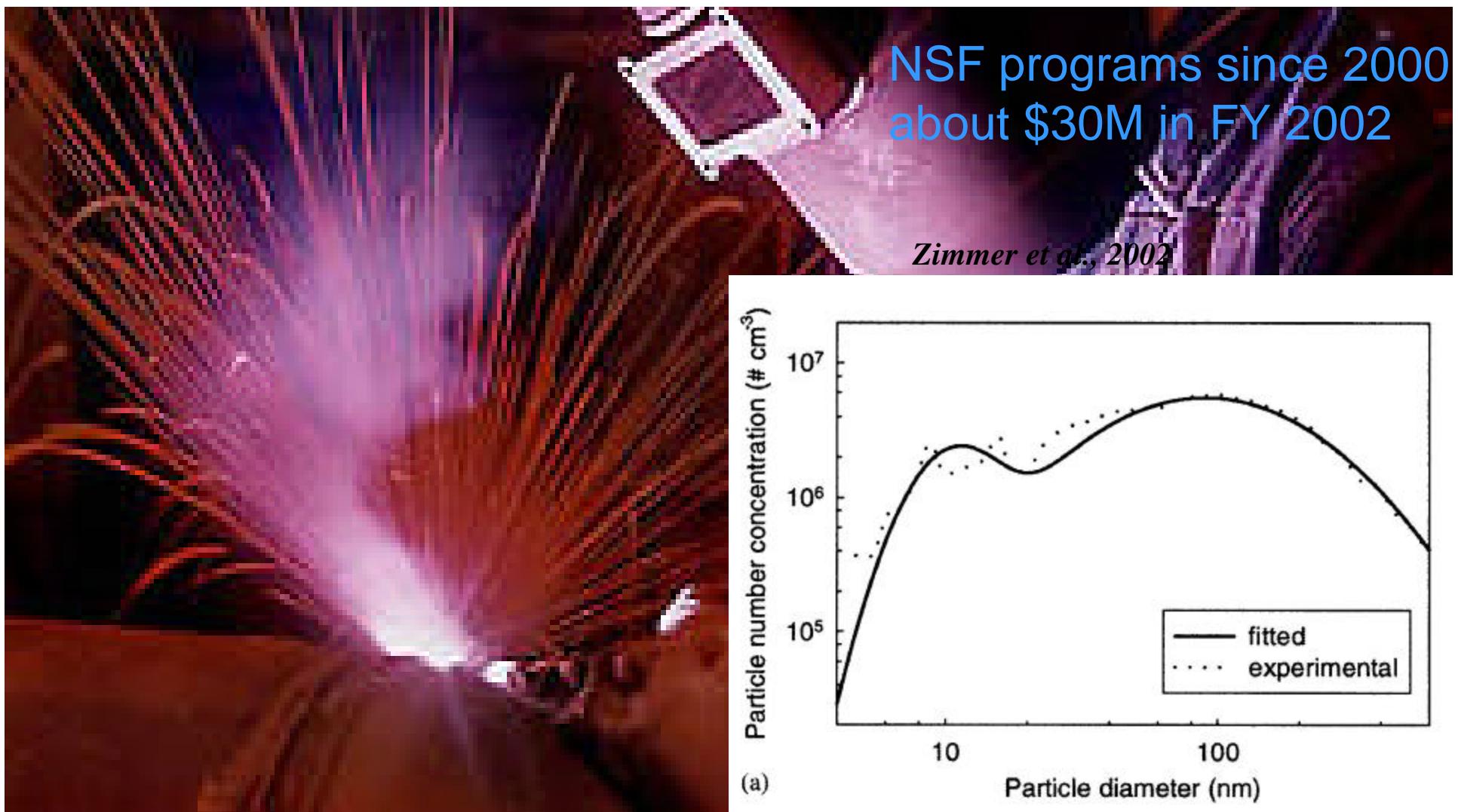
# Energy: Schematic design of the nanorod-polymer solar cell



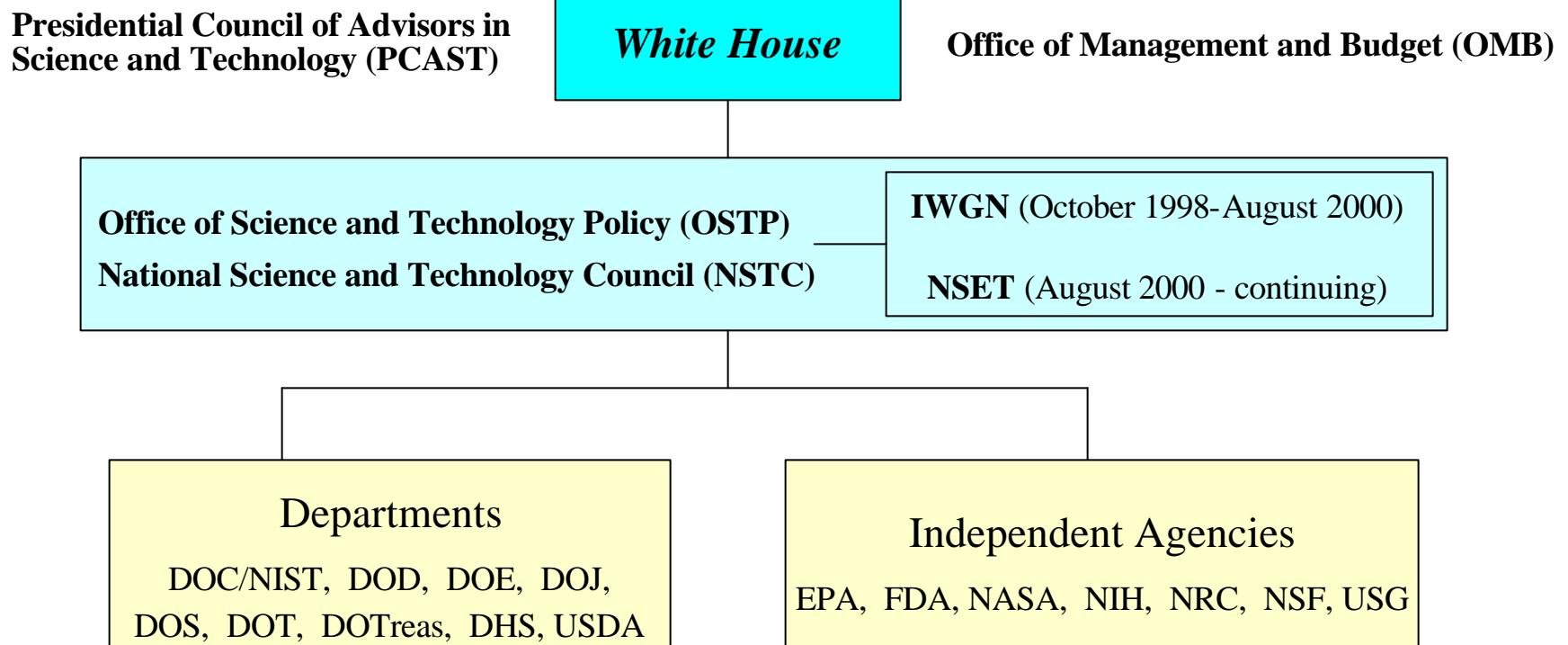
(courtesy P. Alivisatos, Univ. California, Berkeley; and Nanosys, Inc.).

## Environmental issues related to nanotechnology include:

- Sustainable development, life-cycle of products, measurement and mitigation, clean-up techniques, global effects
- Combustion, welding, water/air filtration, cell behavior, toxicity



# Organizations that have prepared and contribute to the National Nanotechnology Initiative (NNI)



Estimation: Federal Government R&D funding NNI (~\$770M in 03)  
Industry (private sectors) ~ NNI funding  
20 state and local (universities, foundations) ~ 1/2 NNI funding

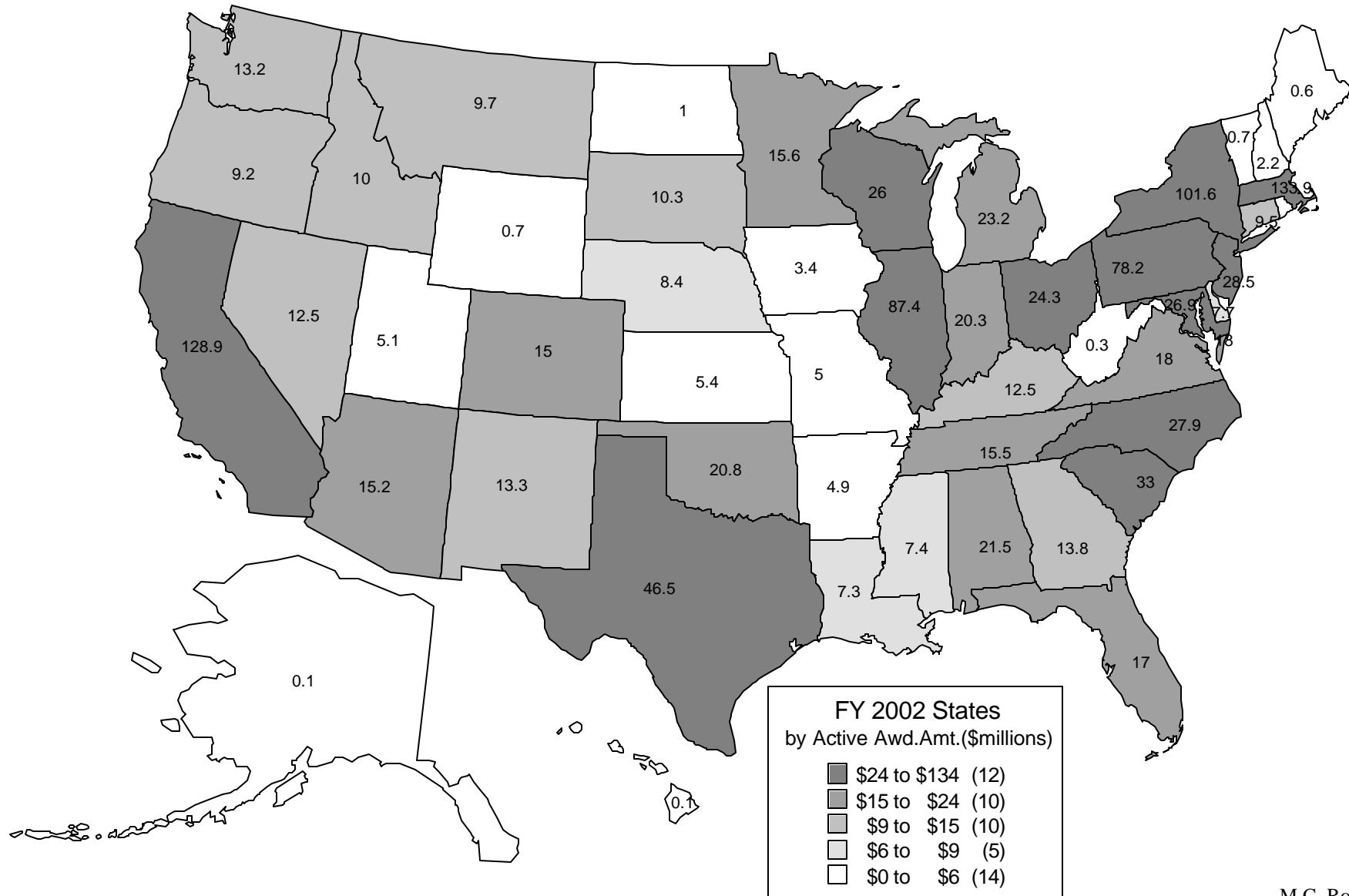
# NNI: R&D Funding by Agency

<i>Fiscal year</i> (all in million \$)	2000	2001 Enacted/actual	2002 Enacted/actual	2003	2004 Request
National Science Foundation	97	150 /150	199 /204	221	249
Department of Defense	70	110 /125	180 /224	243	222
Department of Energy	58	93 /88	91.1 /89	133	197
National Institutes of Health	32	39 /39.6	40.8 /59	65	70
NASA	5	20 /22/	35 /35	33	31
NIST	8	10 /33.4	37.6 /77	66	62
Environmental Protection Agency	-	/5.8	5 /6	5	5
Homeland Security (TSA)	-		2 /2	2	2
Department of Agriculture	-	/1.5	1.5 /0	1	10
Department of Justice	-	/1.4	1.4 /1	1.4	1.4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>270.0</b>	<b>422.0 /464.7</b>	<b>~ 600 /697</b>	<b>~ 770</b>	<b>~ 849</b>

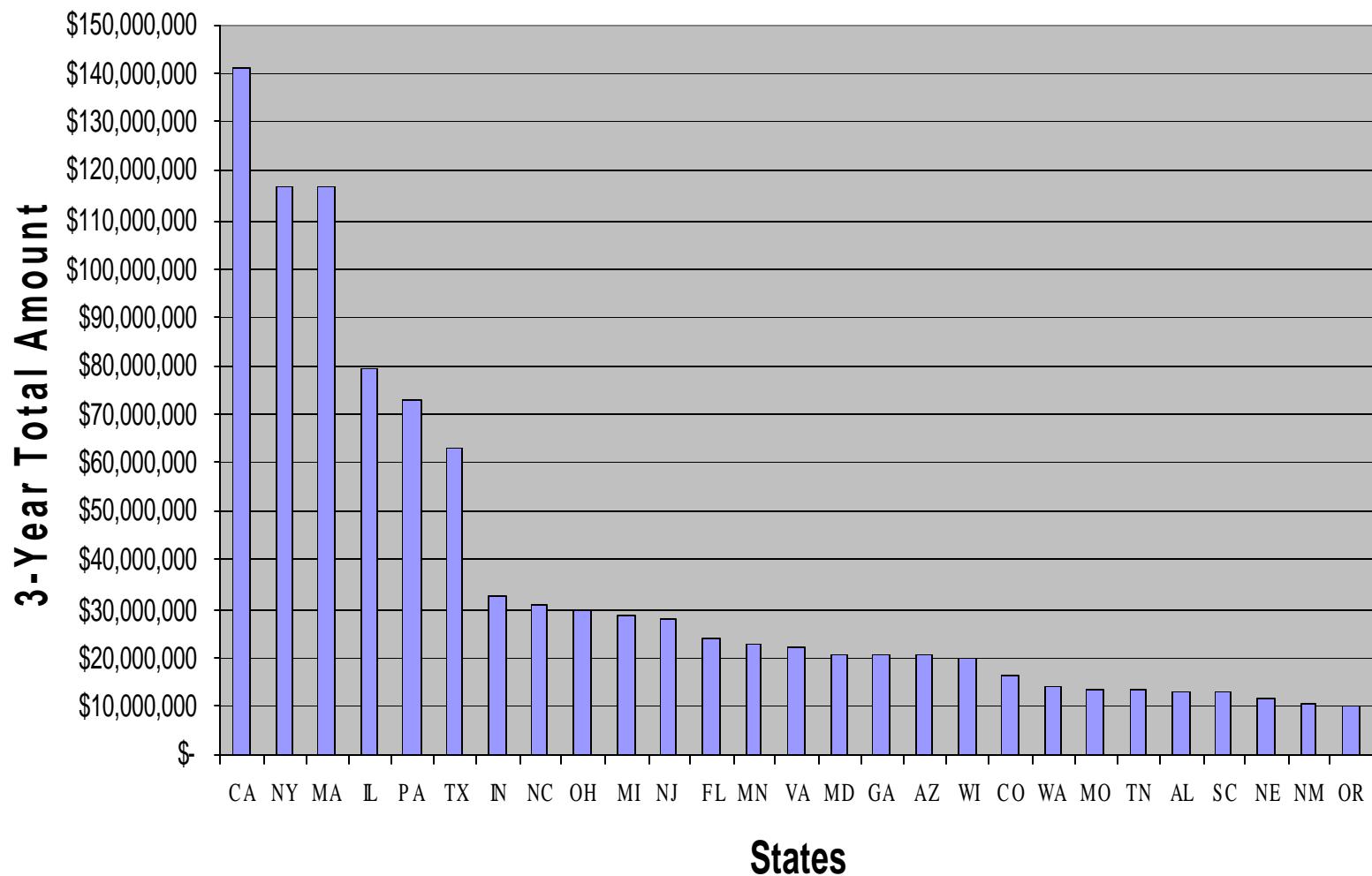
**Other NNI (NSET) participants are:**

**OSTP, NSTC, OMB, DOC, DOS, DOT, DOTreas, FDA, NRC, DHS, IC**

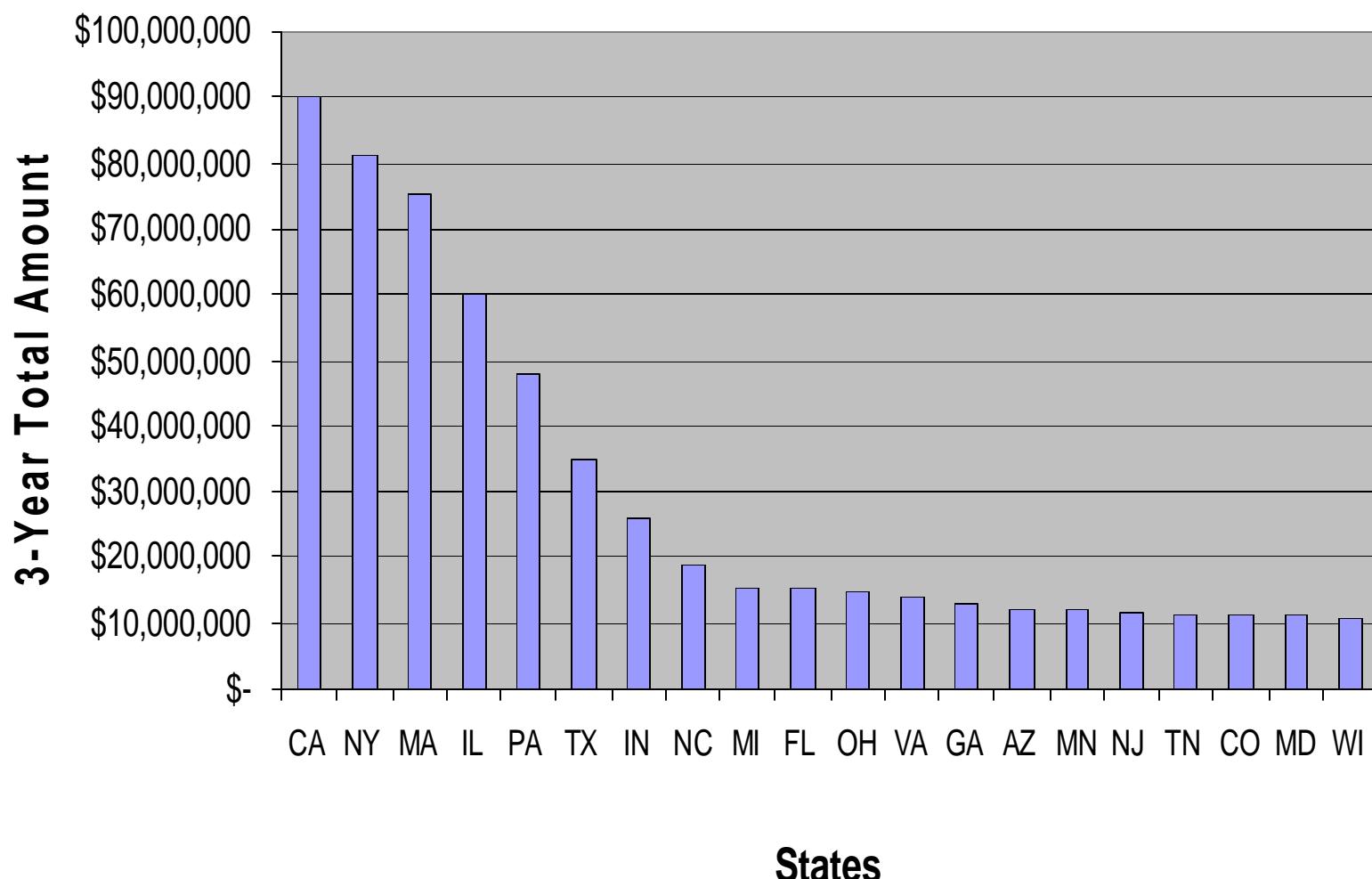
# FY 2002 NSE active awards: Geographical distribution



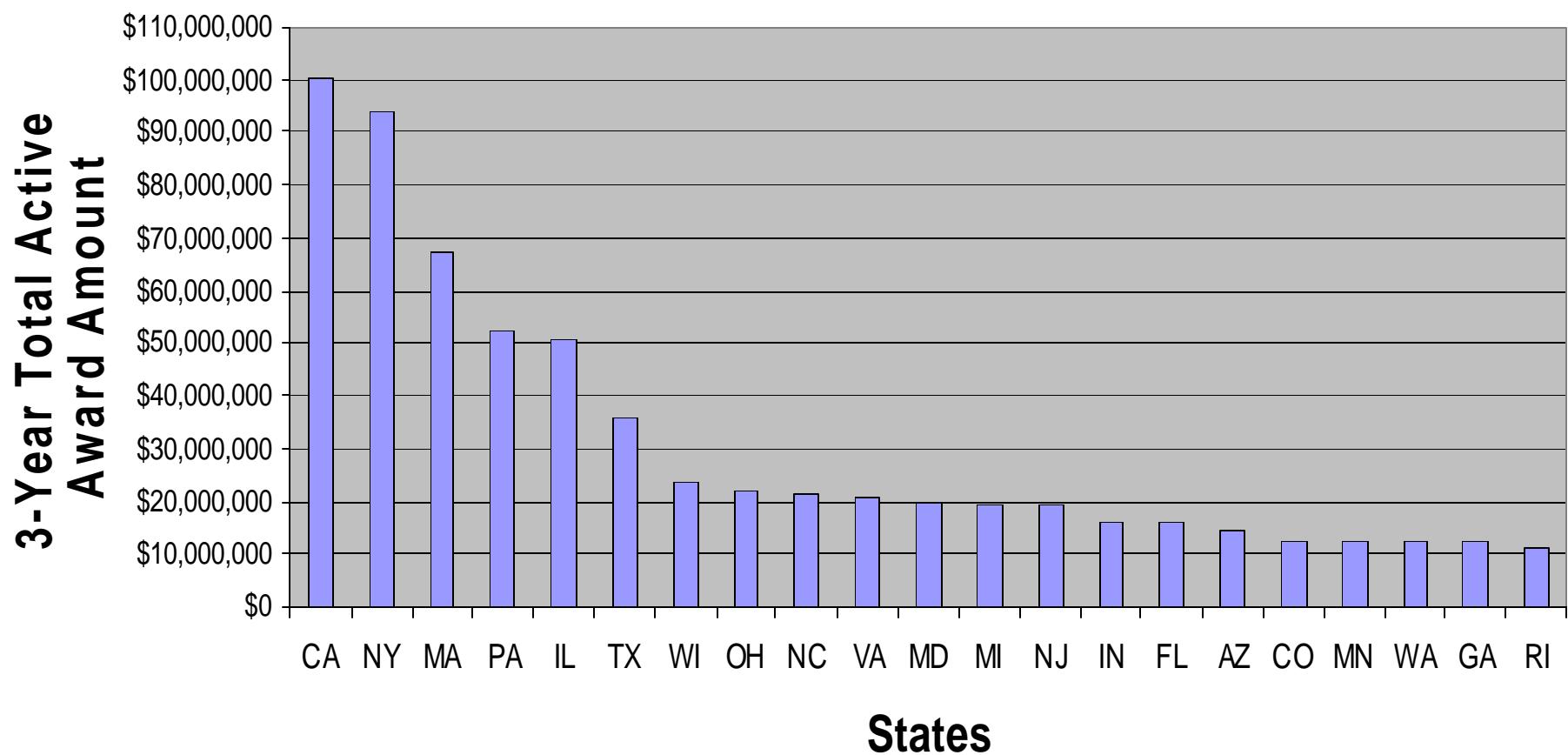
## States Awarded \$10 million or More by NSF for NEW NNI Research during FY 2001-2003



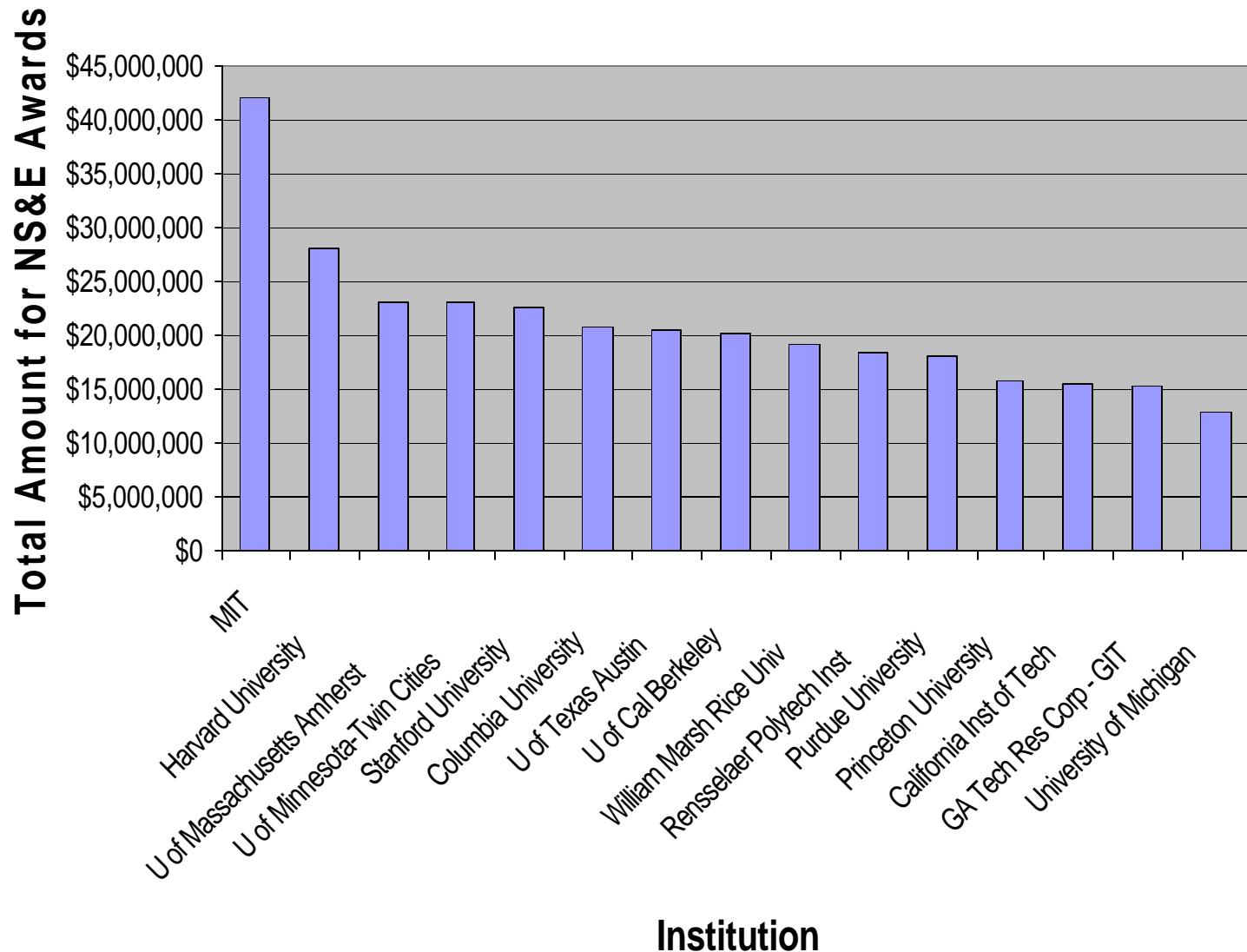
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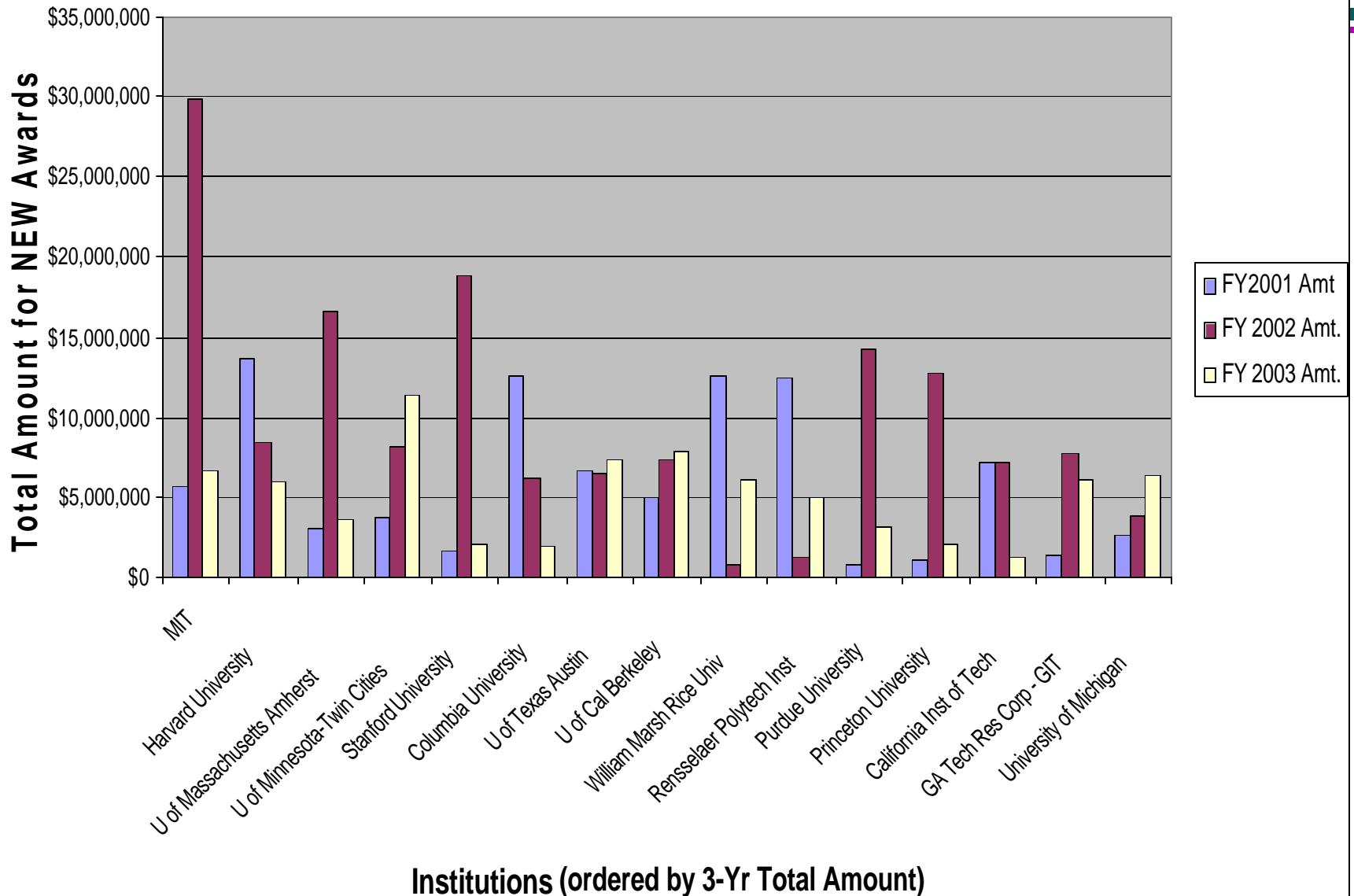
# States with ACTIVE NSF-Supported NNI Research Awards Totaling \$10 million or more during FY 2001-2003



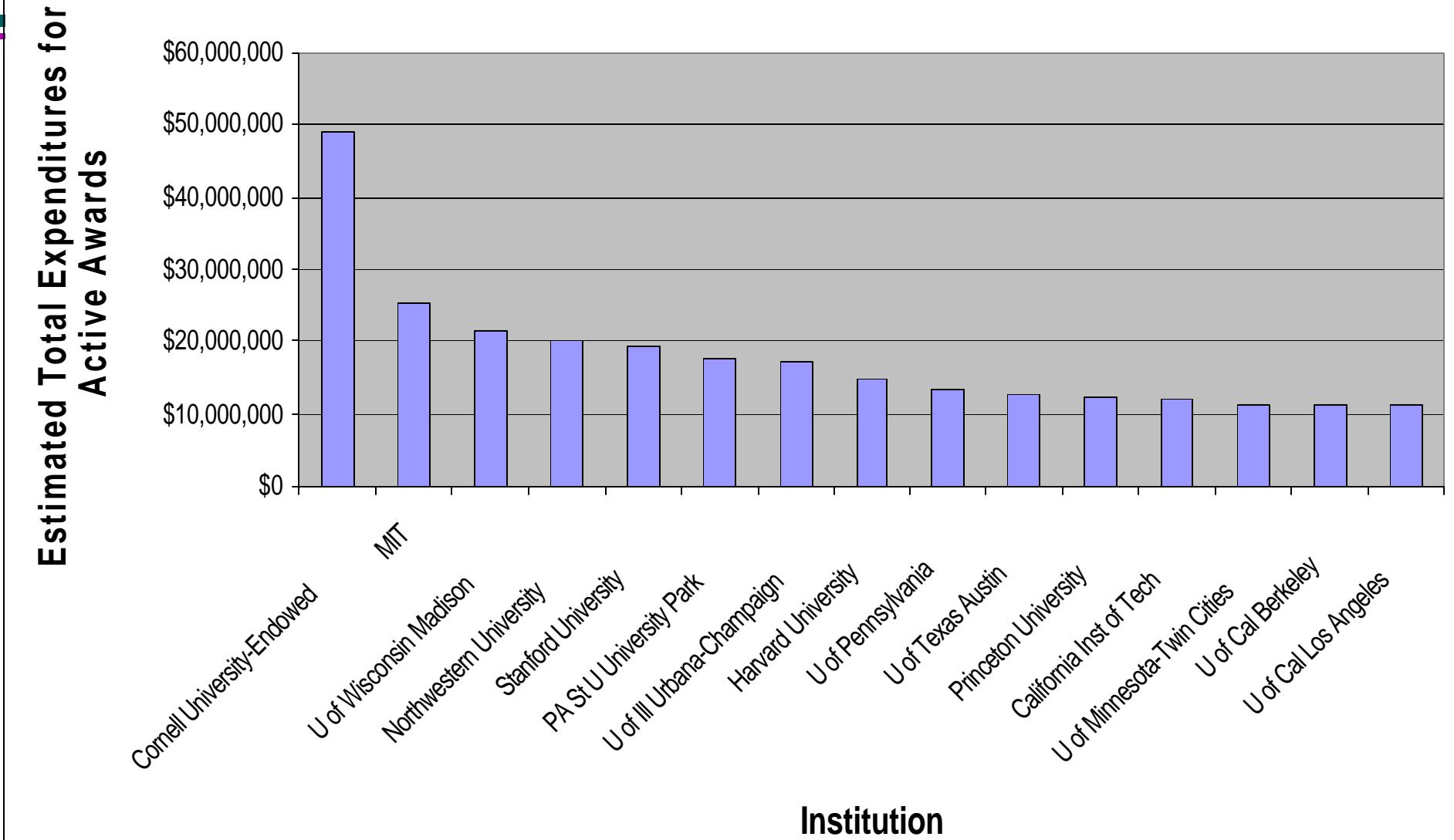
**NSF FY 2001-2003**  
**NEW Nanoscale S&E Awards for Top 15 Institutions by Total Amount**



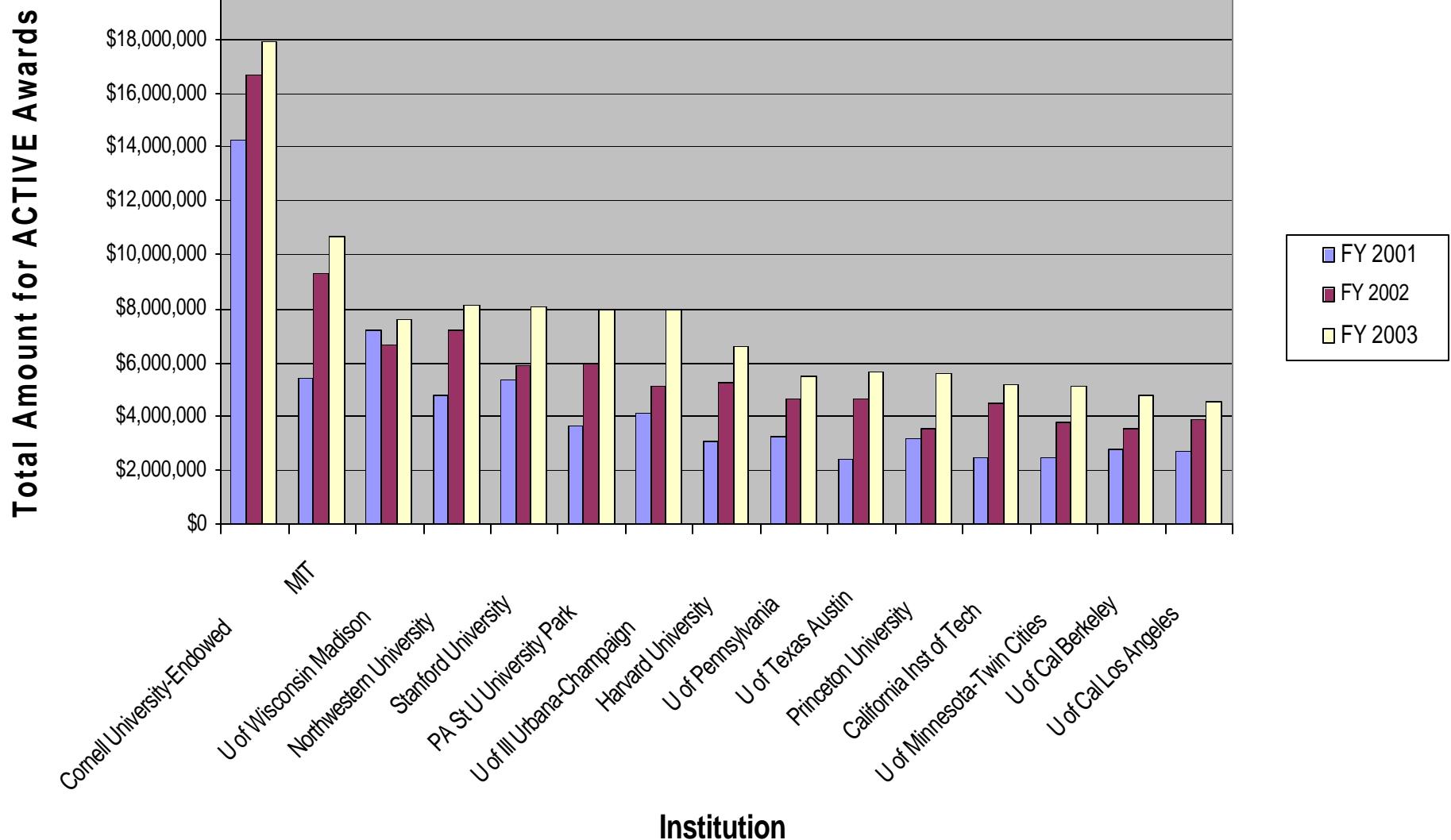
**NSF FY 2001-2003**  
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## 3-Yr Total Amount for ACTIVE Nanoscale S & E Awards (FY 2001-2003)

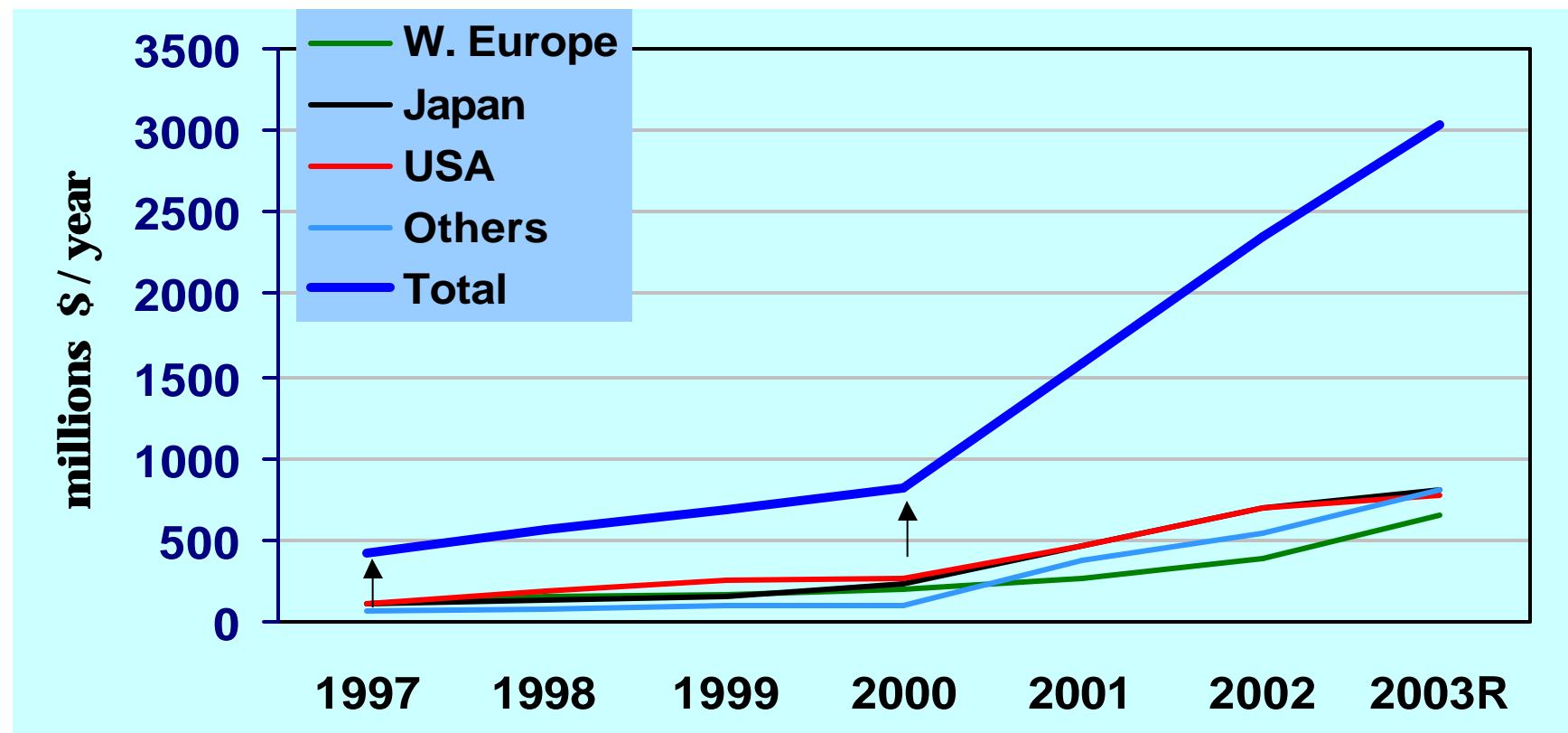


## ACTIVE Nanoscale S&E Awards for Top 15 Institutions by Total Amt. per FY (2001 -2003)



# Context – Nanotechnology in the World

## Government investments 1977-2003 (estimation NSF)



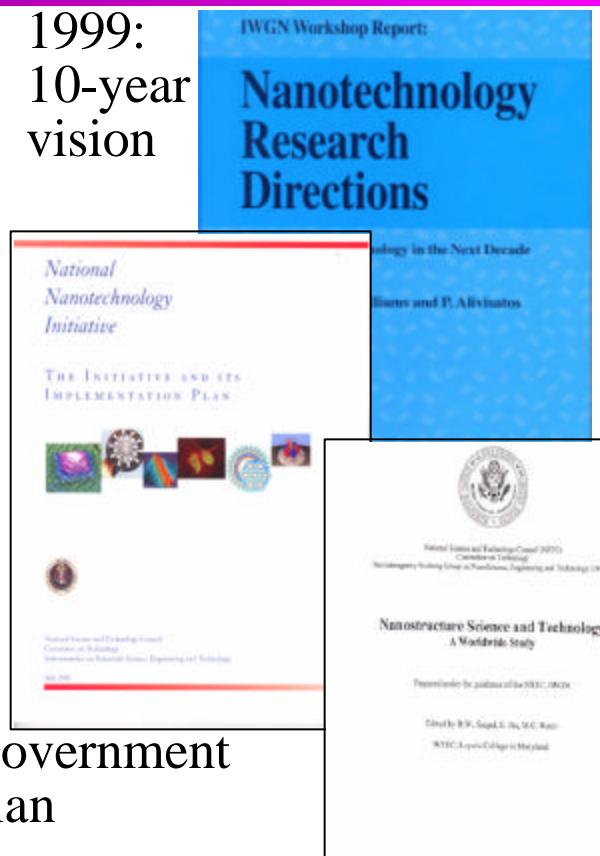
### Note:

- U.S. begins FY in October, six months in advance of EU & Japan (in March/April)

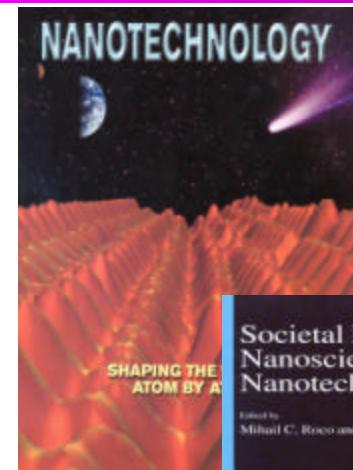
# Defining the vision

# National Nanotechnology Initiative

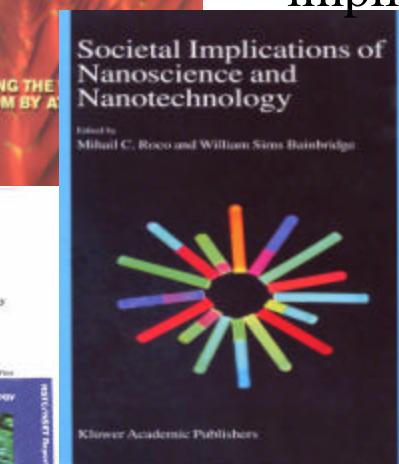
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10-year  
vision



Government  
plan



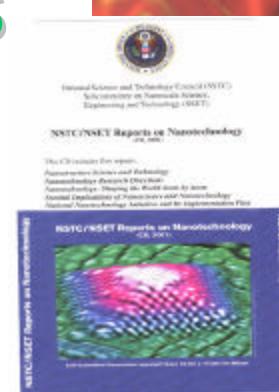
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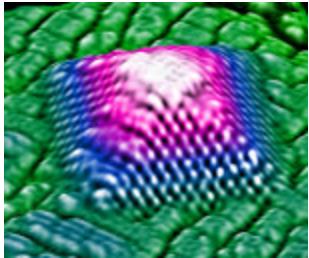
Societal  
implications

## Reports

Worldwide  
benchmark



June 2002: “Review of NNI” by U.S. Academies for WH/OSTP  
April 2003: “FY 2004 NNI and Its Implementation Plan”, NSET  
In preparation: Updated 10 year vision



# Planning for the future: expanding the frontiers of nanotechnology

## *Workshops for receiving input from the community (examples):*

- † Nanostructured materials "by design" - Workshops on 10/02, 06/03
- † Catalysts that function at the nanoscale - 06/03
- † Nanoelectronics, optoelectronics and magnetics - 11/02, 2/04
- † CBRE protection and detection - 05/02
- † Advanced healthcare, therapeutics, diagnostics - 06/00
- † Nano-biology and medicine - 10/03
- † Environmental improvement - 06/02, 08/02, 07/03, 09/03
- † Efficient energy conversion and storage - 10/02, 02/03
- † Microcraft space exploration and industrialization - Spring 04
- † Manufacturing processes - 01/02, 05/02; Instrumentation – 01/04
- † Agriculture and food systems - 11/02; Converging Technologies – 09/03
- † Societal implications (II) - 12/03; Education (NSEE) – 09/03

**“Nanotechnology Research Directions (II)” - Spring 2004**

**Revisit the NNI long-term vision formulated in January 1999**

# R&D focus in 2003

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- ✍ **Growing area towards technological innovation**
  - ✍ Materials, including bulk, coating, dispersed systems
  - ✍ Chemicals, including catalysts
  - ✍ Pharmaceuticals
  - ✍ Electronics
- ✍ **Emerging areas to be addressed in the NNI plan**
  - ✍ Nanomedicine
  - ✍ Energy conversion and storage
  - ✍ Agriculture and food systems
  - ✍ Molecular architectures
  - ✍ Realistic multiphenomena/multiscale simulations
  - ✍ Environmental implications
  - ✍ Converging technologies from the nanoscale

# Improving human performance: by technology integration from the nanoscale

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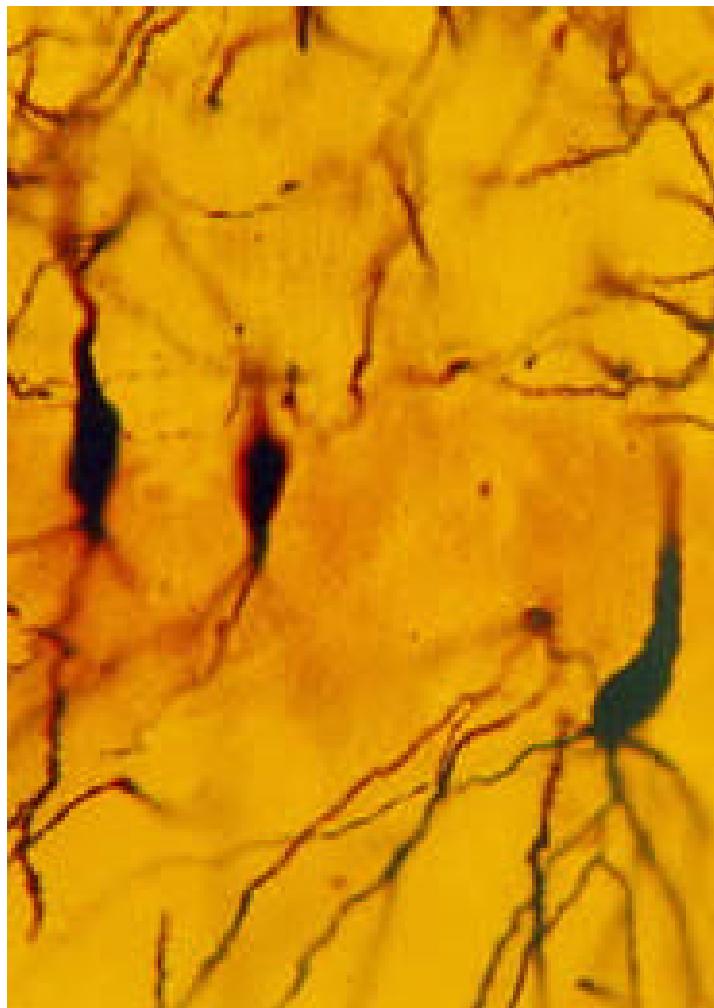
- ☞ Expanding human cognition and communication
- ☞ Improving human health and physical capabilities
- ☞ Enhancing societal outcomes, incl. new products
- ☞ National security
- ☞ Unifying science and education
- ☞ Reshaping organization and business

*Other societal outcomes, implications*

Successive breakthroughs

## Lasers operate inside single cells

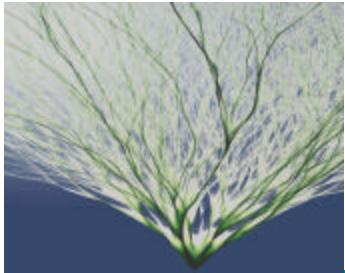
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**Nanosurgery vaporizes  
cellular components  
leaving rest intact**

- **Cut a nerve connection  
without killing it**

**Harvard U. (Nature, October 2003)**



# Outcomes of 2001-2003: R&D Networks and User Facilities

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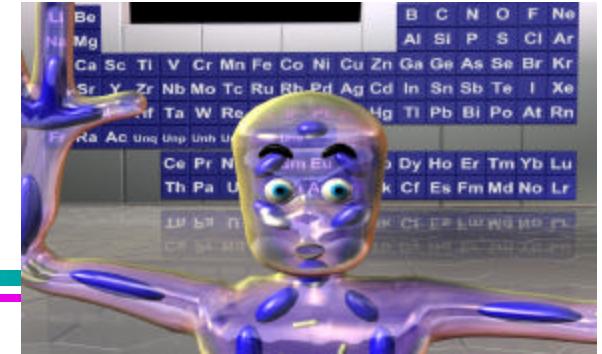
- † **Network for Computational Nanotechnology (NCN)**
  - 7 universities (Purdue as the central node)
  - Nanoelectronic device simulation/modeling
- † **National Nanotechnology Infrastructure Network (NNIN)**
  - User facility
  - Development measuring & manufacturing tools
  - Education and societal implications
- † **Oklahoma Nano Net (EPSCoR award)**
- † **DOE network for large scale facilities**

22 new centers and networks supported by NNI since 2001:

10 NSF, 3 DOD, 5 DOE, 4 NASA (at universities); continuing MRSECs



# Education and Training



(J. Tour)

- † **Integrated research and education - Make Every Lab a Place of Learning: Aiming at systemic changes**
  - ~ 7,000 students/year, technicians, teachers, and faculty in 2003
- † **Curriculum development: New foundation, Training earlier**
  - Nano- instead of micro-based; From elementary schools to continuing education (Undergraduate education ~ 33 awards in FY 2003; Expand to K -12 education in 2004); Industry fellowships
- † **All NSF centers have education and outreach programs**
  - Including science museums Boston, Chicago, Milwaukee, LA
- † **International education opportunities**
  - Young researchers to Japan and Europe; REU sites; attend courses abroad; PASI - Latin America, NSF-E.C.; bi-lateral workshops and exchanges

# **Nanotechnology Undergraduate Education (NUE)**

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**New component of the 2003 NSF Nanoscale Science and Engineering (NSF 02-148) program is focused on:**

- † Introductory undergraduate courses presented through the development of text, software, laboratory and demonstration experiments, and web-based resources;
- † Development and dissemination of new teaching modules for nanoscale science and engineering that can be used in existing undergraduate courses, particularly during first and second year studies.

**33 awards in FY 2003 ([www.nsf.gov/nano](http://www.nsf.gov/nano))**

**Reviewed by the NSF workshop  
on September 11-12, 2002 at NSF  
([www.nanofab.psu.edu/education/nsf-nue-program.htm](http://www.nanofab.psu.edu/education/nsf-nue-program.htm))**



# Nanoscale Science and Engineering Education program (NSF 03-044, new in FY 2004)

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**NSEE to produce systemic changes** in nanoscale science and engineering education. \$12M in FY 2004. Components:

- † **Centers for Learning and Teaching (NCLT):** Create educational leadership for nanotechnology education (doctoral programs representing collaborations of researchers in nanoscale science and engineering, education, and cognitive and behavioral sciences)
- † **Informal Science Education (NISE):** Foster public awareness and understanding of nanoscale science and engineering through development of media projects (film, radio, television) and exhibits.
- † **Instructional Materials Development (NIMD):** Support development of prototype instructional materials that promote student learning and interest in nanoscale science, engineering, and technology concepts for grades 7-12.
- † **Nanotechnology Undergraduate Education (NUE):** Introduce nanoscale science and technology through a variety of interdisciplinary approaches into undergraduate education, particularly in the first two collegiate years.



# K-12 NANOTECHNOLOGY Illustrations of Education Modules

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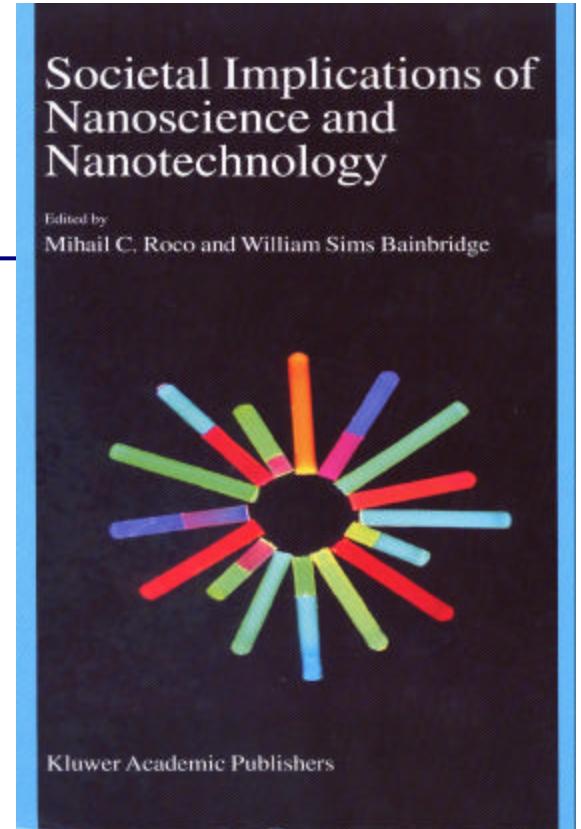
- † University of Wisconsin - Art Ellis: Nanoworld for kids
- † Northwestern University – Bob Chang: Virtual NT Encyclopedia
- † Rice University – James Tour: NanoKids
- † Cornell University: for nanobiotechnology, and nanoelectronics
- † Northwestern University, Chicago: for materials, public museum
  - » Harvard University: for nanosystems, public museum
- † UNC Nanomanipulator by high school students
- † Purdue NanoHub ([www.nanohub.purdue.edu](http://www.nanohub.purdue.edu))
- † RPI “Molecularium” and “Nanoscope” for K-12 students

NSF plans to have 10 K-12 education modules in 2004

# Societal Implications: Follow-up of the September 2000 report

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- Make support for social, ethical, and economic research studies a priority:
  - (a) New theme in the NSF program solicitations;
  - (b) Centers with societal implications programs;
  - (c) Initiative on the impact of technology, NBIC, HSD
- NNCO – communicate with the public and address unexpected consequences
- Basic reference for the interaction with the public
- Taking faster advantage of the benefits
- Converging technologies from the nanoscale
- International workshop with EC (2001);  
Links to Europe and Asia



<http://nano.gov>

# State participation

## Illustrations from 20 states

- † CA California NanoSystem Institute \$100M/ 4 yrs
- † NY Center of Excellence in Nanoelectronics; Albany Center \$50M, \$400M/ 5 yrs
- † IL Nanoscience Center (NU, U III, ANL) \$63M
- † PA Nanotechnology Center \$37M
- † GA Center at Georgia Tech \$25M
- † IN Nanotechnology Center \$5M
- † TX Nanotechnology Center \$0.5M over 2 yrs
- † SC NanoCenter \$1M
- † AZ Nanobio research \$5M for 20 years
- † NM Consortium University of NM and National labs
- † NJ Support at NJIT and future nanophotonics consortium
- † FL Center at the University of South Florida
- † OK Nano-Net (~\$3M/yr for 5 years)
- † OH (support Center \$27M in Columbus), TN (\$24M), Louisiana, CT, MA, VA, AZ



# NNI challenges

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- ✍ **Need for coherent, long-term (5-10 yrs) vision / programs**
- ✍ **Horizontal versus vertical S&T development:**  
0.7% (on fundamental research – to continue) versus  
5% (plus precompetitive R&D) of US R&D budget
- ✍ **Competitiveness: Strengthening partnership w/ industry**  
**Need for system-oriented programs, focused on topics such as: the new transistor, new display, new catalyst, conditioning the cell, S&T convergence**  
**Support: Joint R&D in university-industry networks and industry-government laboratories to facilitate new technologies and commercialization**